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Mr. Tom Gentile  
Earle Naval Weapons Station  
Environmental Department  
Building C-2  
Colts Neck, NJ 07722

Dear Mr. Gentile:

On June 21, 2000, Rod Whiteman of my staff conducted an aerial survey for gypsy moth-caused tree defoliation at Earle Naval Weapons Station. Approximately 3 acres of heavy defoliation (61-100 percent) were detected at your site (Figure 1). Also for your information, no defoliation was detected at nearby sites such as Fort Monmouth, Charles Wood Area, Evans Area and Sandy Hook National Recreation Area.

If you anticipate requesting either financial or technical assistance for gypsy moth control in 2001, please contact Brad Onken or Rod by letter or telephone (304) 285-1541 before August 31, 2000.

Please contact Rod at the above number if you have any questions regarding this aerial survey letter.

Sincerely,

JOHN W. HAZEL  
Field Representative  
Morgantown Field Office

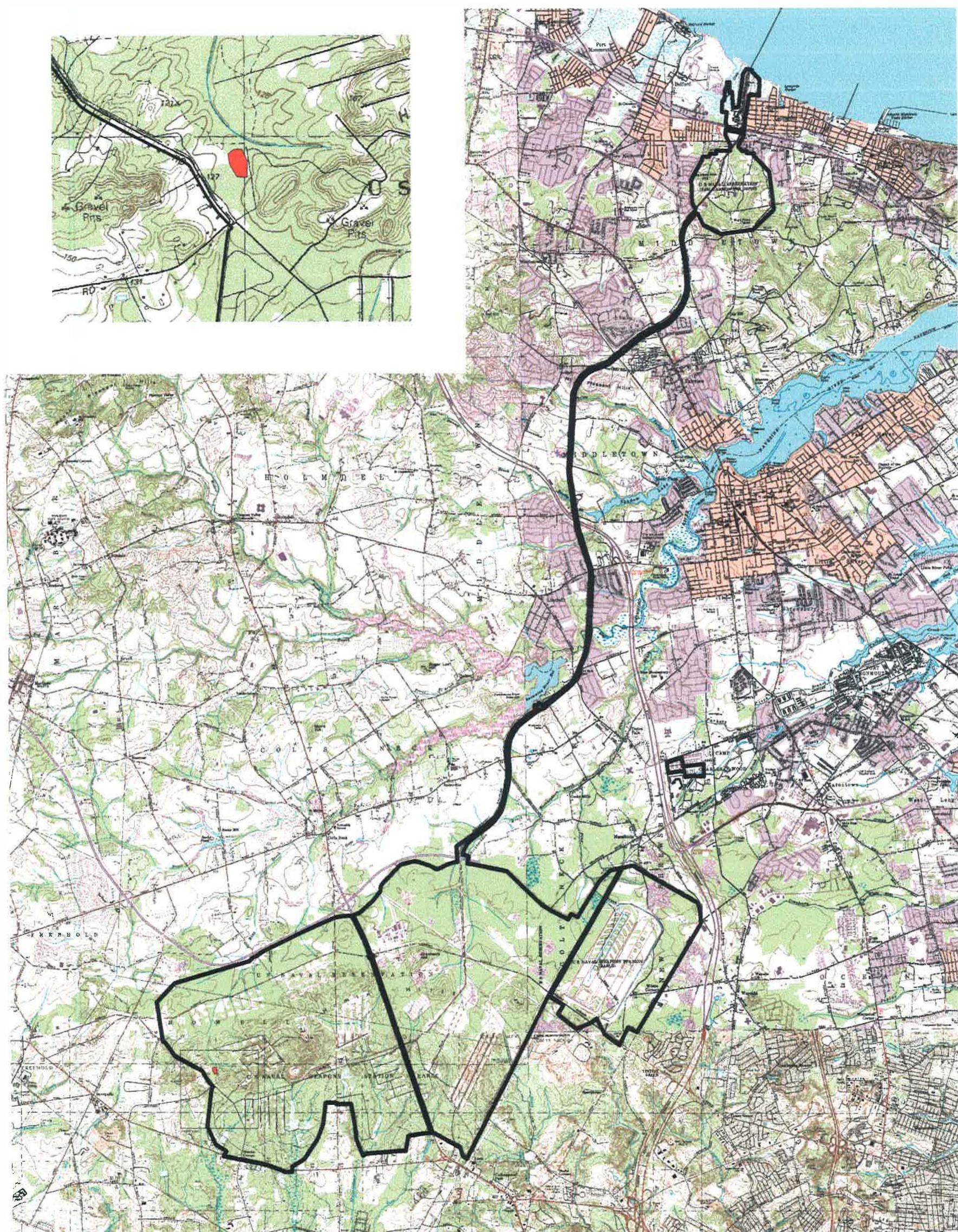
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Figure 1. Results of the gypsy moth defoliation survey conducted at Earle Ammunition Depot on June 21, 2000.



 Property Boundary  
 Heavy Defoliation (61 - 100%)  
3 Acres On-site